

ROOSEVELT AT EAGLE ISLAND

PEARY'S MEN ARGUE AGAINST DR. COOK'S CLAIMS.

McMillan, Borup and Henson Discuss Sledges, Snowshoes, the Eskimos' Talk and Whitney's Silence—Ship Sails Again for New York—Peary Coming.

PORTLAND, Sept. 26.—The steamer ship Roosevelt reached Eagle Island at noon today in the midst of a northeast storm and dropped anchor off Commander Peary's island. That she would stop at Eagle Island on her way to New York was not known to any one but Commander Peary and her master. Peary said that she had come to Eagle Island for instructions before proceeding to New York and to land his personal effects. The ship sailed at dark for Sandy Hook, which Capt. Bob Bartlett said he expected to reach Tuesday night, although she may not arrive there until Wednesday morning. The moment she reaches New York she will be under the control of the Peary Arctic Club, and when she takes part in the Fulton parade, as it was stated she would, Commander Peary will be on her bridge.

He said today that he did not intend to go to New York until the Cook controversy was cleared up and that he will leave Portland for Bar Harbor tomorrow to hold a conference with Gen. Thomas H. Hubbard, the president of the Peary Arctic Club, who has had Peary's statement in his possession since Thursday and who will advise with him on Monday about making it public. The men on the Roosevelt feel certain that when this statement of Peary's is given to the world there will be but one opinion relative to the claim of Dr. Cook—relative to the claim of Dr. Frederick A. Cook; and that its publication will so clear the atmosphere that when Peary stands upon the Roosevelt's bridge in the Fulton parade he will be acclaimed as the only man who has ever stood upon the top of the earth.

Commander Peary had not given out any information about the Roosevelt touching at Eagle Island. Whether he desired that the members of his expedition should not have another chance to talk before the publication of the evidence he assumes to have against Dr. Cook is not known, but none of the men on the Roosevelt knew that she would put into Eagle Island until after she left Sydney last Wednesday. Today Commander Peary asked that the daily interview with him be cancelled to give him a little rest and the newspaper men understood that he was not to be disturbed.

As soon as the Roosevelt dropped anchor her crew and that of a fishing vessel which had been picked up outside to pilot her into the roadstead went to work landing boxes, barrels and bales containing Commander Peary's effects and those of Prof. McMillan, whose home is in Freeport, not far from Eagle Island. Among the things sent ashore were some furs, souvenirs of the Greely and other expeditions which had been brought home on the Roosevelt, the books and papers of Commander Peary and Prof. McMillan and all of their personal baggage. Late in the afternoon Capt. Bartlett, Prof. McMillan, Borup and Dr. Goodsell went ashore to dine with Commander Peary and his family and after dinner the Roosevelt got under way and stood out to sea.

While at anchor the Roosevelt's crew were very reticent. Pritchard, the cabin boy, remained in the galley. He was asked to refuse to answer questions. While the newspaper men were about there was always some one in the galley with Pritchard. Henson, the negro who accompanied Peary to the pole, took to his stateroom when the newspaper men stepped on board and was only brought out when Capt. Bartlett went in to find him. Prof. McMillan was disposed to talk and did talk with some readiness, but the others volunteered little.

Henson said that he had seen the Eskimos who had been sent back by Dr. Cook when he started on the last stage of his journey for the pole. He said he had known them for many years, some of them when they were being carried about in their mother's hoods. He intimated that there were not twelve of them in the party sent back but a less number, although he would not say how many. He had conversed with all of them, but he would not state what they had told him beyond what he has already said, that Dr. Cook had not been on the ice away from the land longer than two sleeps or two days journey. He said he had not been told by any of these Eskimos that Peary had been to the top of the world.

Henson talked freely about the handling of Eskimo dogs and said that Dr. Cook knew nothing about dogs and could not harness one or handle them after they were harnessed.

"I can handle Eskimo dogs as well as any Eskimo," said Henson, "but it has taken me years to learn how to do it. Dr. Cook knows absolutely nothing about them."

Speaking of sledges Henson said that the Peary sledge, similar to the sledge Morris K. Jesup, which was taken by Peary to the pole, was the only sledge he had ever seen which could be used effectively on the Arctic ice. No one knew about the sledge but the Commander and himself and no one could make one like it. Dr. Cook, he said, knew nothing about building sledges.

The Eskimo can make the sledges they use, but not the kind that are used in Arctic exploration. It had taken him years to learn how to make sledges and he didn't believe Dr. Cook knew how to build a sledge. It requires more than a knowledge of carpentry, Henson said, to make a sledge. They have to be lashed together because nails or bolts will split the wood.

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capped in walking on the Arctic ice because of the loss of these toes," said McMillan. "I wish he could see him going on snowshoes over the ice. He would never be able to keep in sight of him. Cook knows nothing about travelling on Arctic ice. He never was on ice either one night, and that was on the Belgic expedition to the Antarctic, when he slept one night on the ice. When he was with Peary in '91 and '92 made a trip to the icecap of Greenland, but that wasn't on ice. I mean by ice upon the frozen sea. He has never travelled upon it at any time until his last expedition, if he did then. The records show all of this."

Speaking about snowshoes, McMillan said that the members of expeditions upon the ice always carry extra snowshoes and usually break one or two pairs on a long trip.

"Snowshoes always show the effect of a long tramp on the ice," said McMillan. "Cook's snowshoes didn't show the sign of much wear when he turned up at Etah. I understand. In my opinion he had never taken a very long journey on them."

McMillan said he was going with the Roosevelt to New York and would then return to Freeport, Me. He was told they were going to have a celebration in his honor in that town when he got back and he said, if that was the case, he didn't know that he should hurry back.

Borup said that Whitney, the young New Haven sportsman, was on the Roosevelt from June 17, 1908, until the ship got to Sydney. He was on her again this year.

"He met us at Cape Sheridan and thought she was his relief ship," said Borup. "He was then expecting he would have to pass another winter in the north. His civilized clothing was all gone and he wore a birdskin shirt and Eskimo clothes. He had plenty of ammunition and nothing else. Whitney is the best shot I ever saw. I saw him shoot an Arctic hare on the run at 400 yards. He lived with us for a week and talked freely about everything and never mentioned Dr. Cook's having been to the pole, although he spoke about him. He did not impress me as the kind of a man who would conceal anything of that kind. He talked freely about everything."

Borup said he had seen no instruments with Whitney for taking observations, and if Cook's instruments were with him he said nothing about it to any one.

Murphy, the boatswain, said that he had seen all the Eskimos Cook said he had with him. He can talk Eskimo and these men had all talked with him freely. He knew Etuk-Hue, one of the two Eskimos whom Cook says he took with him to the pole, intimately. He did not tell him Cook had been to the pole. Murphy then said he had been told not to talk about Cook and didn't propose to do so.

Capt. Bartlett gave THE SUN correspondent a signed statement which he asked to have printed. It said:

"I wish to deny emphatically that I ever shed tears because Commander Peary would not take me to the pole with him. I knew he was going to take Henson, but did not ask to go. I was proud and glad to support him in every way I could. The statement which has been published that I shed tears because I couldn't go is a lie."

"What will my friends think of me when they read the story about my shedding tears because I was left behind? It might be sufficient to warrant his losing confidence in me. Of course I wanted to go and so did Borup and McMillan and the rest, but we were there to help him and are proud of what we did."

ARRESTED WHEN HE OBEYED.

Father Said Being the Auto Home and John Brought It.

John Lawrence, a chauffeur, who gave his address as the Atlantic Hotel, in West Tenth street, New York, was arrested in Halsey street, Newark, yesterday, by Detectives McConnell and Harris on a charge of stealing an automobile belonging to Mrs. Michalina Rankine of 3008 Richmond street, Philadelphia. In her complaint, which was made before Magistrate David B. Scott of Philadelphia, Mrs. Rankine places the value of the automobile at \$1,000.

Lawrence was at his father's when he was arrested. Lawrence's father told the police that his son had taken the machine by his orders. He said that he said the auto to Mr. Rankine for \$900, but that only \$400 had been paid on it, and that being unable to collect the balance he had telephoned his son, who was employed as a chauffeur for the Rankines, to bring the car back to Newark.

Lawrence was locked up at police headquarters.

NEW CHURCH DEDICATED.

Archbishop Blesses New Home of Our Lady of Mercy.

SONGS FOR THE CELEBRATION

GERMANS AT THE HIPPODROME: IRISH AT CARNEGIE HALL.

Admiral von Koester Brings Greetings of the German Emperor to the United Singers—Gov. Hughes at Both Concerts and Is Cheered Heartily.

The concert given in the Hippodrome last night by the German United Singers of New York took on an international air when Grand Admiral von Koester, commander of the German fleet and personal representative of the German Emperor, delivered a message to the singers from his imperial master. It was expected that the Admiral, who attended a dinner in the early part of the evening, would reach the Hippodrome before the programme was half completed, but he did not appear until the last number was nearly over.

President Theodore Henninger of the United Singers introduced the Admiral, and the audience that packed the great playhouse from pit to dome gave the distinguished visitor a hearty welcome. Director Julius Lorenz repeated the first vocal selection, Schafer's "Sonntagsgesang," after which Admiral von Koester, speaking in German, told the thousands of members of the chorus that it gave him pleasure to be the bearer to the Germans in America of a message from the Fatherland.

The Admiral said that he was pleased to observe that German customs, German songs and German art flourished here. It gave him pleasure, he said, to attend a song service so much like those of Germany. He hoped that the German songs would always be sung by the Germans in America. He said that his royal master sent kind greetings to the society. With the Admiral were several officers of the German squadron.

Another visitor was Gov. Hughes. With his wife and Military Secretary Treadwell, the Governor slipped into one of the rear boxes early in the evening. Only those on the platform could see him, and the management quickly transferred the gubernatorial party to one of the elevated boxes in front. As soon as the audience caught sight of the Governor, they rose and gave him a noisy welcome. Again there was applause when the Governor arose to go, and he had to come back to the edge of his box twice and bow to the audience.

The music was in charge of Directors Julius Lorenz and Carl Heip. Mrs. Rider Kelsey and Sidney Biton were the soloists. The chorus was composed of 400 women and 600 men, chosen from thirty-five societies. The orchestra of seventy-five was drawn from the players at the Metropolitan Opera House and the Philharmonic Society. A medley of national airs was particularly effective. Two of the vocal selections were in English. They were "Old Folks at Home" and "The Swallowtail."

These and Leit's "Im Wald" were especially pleasing.

At the concert in Carnegie Hall given by the Irish section of the celebration, Victor Herbert was in charge of the music. Mrs. Helen O'Donnell and William Ludwig were the soloists. Seth Low presided. Gov. Hughes slipped into the Carnegie last unobserved, but an usher in the topmost gallery picked him out and yelled "Three cheers for Hughes," whereupon the audience rose and cheered for a minute or more. One of the songs sung was "Sweet Harp of the Days That Are Gone," the words of which were written by Samuel Lover. Mr. Herbert's grandfathers, Mr. Herbert composed the music.

BIG PROHIBITION FIGHT.

Wets and Drys Making Unusually Active Campaign in Indiana County.

VINCENNES, Ind., Sept. 26.—The most bitter campaign that has ever been inaugurated in behalf of local option is in progress in this (Knox) county and both temperance advocates and the liquor element are straining every nerve for votes.

Fifty or more orators are employed by each side and to-day local option sermons were preached in every school-house and church in the county by Methodist ministers assigned by the Bishop from the meeting of the Indiana Conference at Washington, Ind., to attack the liquor business.

The election will be held Thursday and the result is much in doubt. The drys do not expect to win in the city but are depending upon the country vote. All of the towns near Cordova are pledged to give them a victory over the wets in this city.

Literature from all the dry counties is being sent into this city and according to it business has fallen off in every section from which the saloons have been excluded, property has gone down in value and rentals have fallen to nothing. The drys are meeting these statements with counter statements from men and women in the dry counties and according to these all conditions are better than ever before.

BANK ROBBERS AT BAY.

Posses of Citizens Have Band Surrounded and Await Dawn.

RUNNELLS, Ia., Sept. 26.—Three bank robbers who this morning attempted to rob the Farmers Savings Bank of Runnells have been surrounded to-night in a thicket near Cordova by posses of citizens after a wild chase on hand cars in which a number of shots were fired.

Shots are being interchanged but the citizens' posse and the deputy sheriffs who have been rushed to the scene have contented themselves with preventing the escape of the bandits and await dawn before beginning any aggressive tactics.

The town of Runnells was awakened to-day by the shock of the explosion. Citizens hastened to the bank and discovered one side of the building blown away. The robbers were seen scrambling about in the smoke. With rifles to their shoulders they announced that they intended to fight to the end. They fired a volley toward the townspeople which was answered by a few scattered shots. Before an effective posse could be organized the robbers had escaped.

NEW TELEGRAPH CODE.

Navy Officer Copyrights One by Which a Football Score Can Be Sent in One Word.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—Lieut.-Commander David F. Sellers, U. S. N., of the bureau of navigation, has obtained a copyright on a telegraph and cable code prepared especially for the use of officers of the navy and marine corps stationed abroad as an economical means of communicating with their families and relatives.

The code contains more than 4,400 specially selected words and phrases. The code words are all manufactured and consist of five letters each, so that two code words can be joined together and sent for the price of one word.

One of the features of the Lieutenant-Commander's new code is that the score of the Army and Navy football game can be sent in one word. Another advantage is that only one word is necessary in cabling home for money.

TWO HURT IN AUTO SMASH.

Son of Ex-Judge Fitzsimmons Arrested After Early Morning Collision.

Frank Fitzsimmons of 125 West 122d street, a son of ex-Judge Fitzsimmons, while driving his automobile early yesterday morning crashed into a machine driven by Charles Boden at Central Park West and 101st street. Boden and William Schaefer, who was riding with him, were injured in the collision. A Both live at 1486 Flatbush avenue, Brooklyn. George Corbin of 2315 Avenue G, Brooklyn, another occupant of the Boden car, was not hurt. Boden and Schaefer were taken to a hospital, where they were patched up, and Fitzsimmons was arrested. In the West side court Magistrate Kernochan held him in \$500 bail.

WELLESLEY GIRL ATTACKED.

Man Supposed to Be Insane Treats Miss Bradshaw Roughly.

WELLESLEY, Mass., Sept. 26.—Miss Isabel Bradshaw of 688 Nostrand avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y., a post-graduate at Wellesley College, is suffering a severe nervous shock as a result of an attack made upon her by an unknown man in the woods about a mile from the college grounds here yesterday afternoon.

Miss Bradshaw had gone for a walk along the road when a man suddenly appeared from the bushes. He was with her for but a few minutes, but during that time he grabbed her by the shoulder and threw her to the ground with considerable force.

Being a young woman of considerable strength, Miss Bradshaw fought off her assailant and she screams put him to flight, after which she ran to the college. Miss Bradshaw was graduated last June and returned to Wellesley again this fall for the post-graduate course. She is very popular among the students.

A searching party was sent out yesterday afternoon, but they failed to find a trace of the man. The police think Miss Bradshaw's assailant was an escaped inmate of the State insane asylum at Forest Hills.

BABY EATEN NOT POISONED.

Rear Admiral's Adopted Child Died From Natural Causes.

SCITUATE, Mass., Sept. 26.—Medical examiner J. Winthrop Spooner of Hingham received yesterday from Prof. Whitney of Harvard the report on the examination of the stomach of the adopted baby of Rear Admiral and Mrs. J. Giles Eaton of Annapolis.

Prof. Whitney reports that the stomach shows no indication of poison.

When the baby died suddenly two months ago after twelve hours illness Mrs. Eaton said that the child had been poisoned.

Dr. Harry Cleverly of North Scituate, the attending physician, gave the cause of death as cholera infantum.

Mrs. Eaton at that time openly charged that attempts had been made to poison her and her two daughters and was of the opinion that the baby had met his death by poison. The matter was referred to Medical Examiner Spooner by Dr. Cleverly. Following the death of the child Mrs. Eaton lived apart from the Admiral for some days. A month ago Mrs. Eaton returned to live with her husband, bringing her two daughters by her first marriage.

EX-SENATOR IN A ROW.

Bailey Said Daughter Had Been Abused, but Withdrew Charge in Court.

Edwin Bailey of Patchogue, former State Senator from Suffolk county, appeared in the night court last night after he had caused the arrest of a man who said he was William Buckelaw, 33 years old, and engaged in the aluminum business in Bridgeport. Mr. Bailey, accompanied by his wife and two daughters, took a Broadway car at 129th street early last evening. When Buckelaw, who with two other young men sat opposite to him in the car, got off at Second street, Mr. Bailey and his family followed and complained to a policeman that Buckelaw had annoyed his daughters. Buckelaw was arrested, but in the night court Bailey asked Magistrate B. J. Bailey to allow him to withdraw the charge. Buckelaw, who was discharged, said he had done nothing and that he was eager for trial.

END OF ROOSEVELT CLUB.

Cincinnati Politicians Have All Gone Over to Organization.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 26.—The famous organization of politicians which was brought together soon after Theodore Roosevelt became President and which has been known as the Roosevelt Republican Club has been practically disbanded. Its members in the Fox Building have vacated on October 1 and the few remaining members will come together only upon call of the president.

WANTS GAMBLING STOPPED.

National Reform League President Urges Passage of the Burkitt Bill.

CURTIS'S FLIER ASSEMBLED

THE AVIATOR MAY TAKE A SPIN THIS AFTERNOON.

Wright May Bring His Machine Out of the Tent This Afternoon—Military Guard Posted on Governors Island to Keep Spectators at a Proper Distance.

The aeroplane in which Glenn H. Curtiss will make flights during the Hudson-Fulton celebration arrived at Governors Island at 10 o'clock yesterday morning in charge of Todd Schriver, chief mechanic for Mr. Curtiss, and at sunset the little brown flier was assembled and brought out of the aerodrome to be photographed.

With the tightening of wires and the tuning up of the engine the machine will be ready to get into the air to-day. If the weather conditions are favorable it is probable he will give a preliminary exhibition this afternoon, to-morrow being the opening day for official demonstrations.

The new Curtiss machine, which has a spread of twenty-six feet, looks like a graceful swallow between the imposing Wright aeroplane, measuring about thirty-eight feet from tip to tip. The Curtiss machine is fitted with a 25 horse-power engine calculated to develop a speed of forty-two miles an hour, which would indicate that Mr. Curtiss will not go in for high speed.

Wilbur Wright visited for a few moments yesterday morning the aerodrome where his machine is assembled and returned to the Park Avenue Hotel, where he remained in his rooms during the day and denied himself to callers. It was reported that Mr. Wright would spring a surprise by making an early flight this morning, but this was contradicted by the inventor, who said in no event would the machine be brought from its tent before this afternoon.

Capt. Halstead Dorey of the Fourth Infantry, who has been signing passes for Governors Island during the Hudson-Fulton flights, said yesterday that guards would be supplied from the Twenty-ninth Infantry to keep visitors a safe distance from the aeroplanes while they are in motion.

Capt. Thomas S. Baldwin and George Tomlinson, who are entrants for the Hudson-Fulton flight from New York to Albany to be made in dirigible balloons, announced yesterday that they would be ready to start as soon as favorable conditions prevail. Capt. Baldwin believes he can make the trip in six hours.

THUG BUSY WITH BLACKJACK.

Two Men Attacked Near the Williamsburg Bridge—Police Make An Arrest.

John McKee of 64 Floyd street, Brooklyn, and Albert Bender of 75 South Fifth street were severely beaten yesterday morning by a man who attacked them near the park under the Williamsburg Bridge. The assaults took place a few minutes apart.

McKee, the first victim, was struck from behind with a blackjack. He regained consciousness as the thug was rifling his pockets and his struggles frightened the man away.

McKee managed to reach the Williamsburg Hospital, and while his wounds were being dressed the doctor was called to attend a man at the Bedford avenue police station. The doctor found Bender suffering from a broken head and a collection of bruises very like those he had just dressed for McKee.

The attack on Bender had also been made in the shadow of the bridge, and like McKee he had frightened off his assailant in time to save his purse.

The police reserves searched the neighborhood and arrested John Stoney of 15 North Seventh street, Brooklyn. Stoney was armed with a piece of iron pipe covered with rubber hose. He was locked up on a charge of carrying concealed weapons.

ROBBED ON HIS DOORSTEP.

Four Men Knock Goldstein Down and Fracture His Skull.

Nathan Goldstein, 36 years old, a salesman, halted on his stoop at 116 East 108th street about 9:30 o'clock last night and looked up to take note of the weather.

"Whatin'ell are you looking at?" growled a man who came along.

"Foolish question, Number —," but before Goldstein could make demand of Arab notation the other got into action. "Is that so. Well, take that for yours," he yelled, and Goldstein went down, striking his head on the sidewalk. Four other men rushed up and robbed him of his watch and chain. In the mess Goldstein got a grip on somebody's coattail but the fellow wriggled out of the garment, leaving it in Goldstein's hands and joined the others on the run.

Goldstein got to the East 104th street station and there collapsed. At the Harlem Hospital it was found that his skull was fractured. The police think they have clue to the owner of the coat.

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FEEDING MEXICO'S SUFFERERS.

Still Sending Out Mule Teams With Clothing and Supplies.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26.—Phillip G. Hanna, American Consul-General at Monterey, Mexico, has telegraphed the State Department that the sending out of mule teams to the flood sufferers is continuing with splendid practical results. Clothing and supplies are still being received at Monterey, but more will be needed. Blankets for the women, babies and old people are in great demand, as the nights are getting colder.

Mr. Hanna says that great care is being exercised in the distribution of supplies and nothing is wasted. He is working with the Mexican Red Cross, and from his own funds he has given that organization money and supplies.

E. M. Knabel to Succeed Judge Richards.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26.—Edward M. Knabel, a lawyer of Denver, has been selected to fill the vacancy in the Department of Justice which will be created by the retirement of Judge A. A. Richards of Kansas, whose resignation will take place on October 1. Mr. Richards was appointed some years ago on the recommendation of former Senator Long of Kansas. It is his purpose to practise law in Oklahoma. Mr. Knabel was appointed on the recommendation of Senator Guggenheim of Colorado.



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